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HOUSE BILL NO. 429

91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE KELLY (36).

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 169, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to teacher and school employee retirement systems, with an emergency clause.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 169, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 169.596, to read as follows:

**169.596. 1. Any school district with a shortage of certified teachers, as determined
2 by the school district, may allow retired certificated teachers from any Missouri public
3 teacher retirement system to teach full-time for up to two years without losing his or her
4 retirement benefits. The total number of such retired certificated teachers shall not exceed,
5 at any one time, the greater of ten percent of the total teacher staff for that school district
6 or five persons. Any retired certificated teacher hired pursuant to this section shall be
7 included in the State Directory of New Hires for purposes of income and eligibility
8 verification pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 1320b-7. The provisions of this section shall not
9 become effective until the affected retirement systems have implemented rules and
10 regulations assuring that the provisions are cost-neutral and the systems remain actuarially
11 sound. All necessary costs shall be paid by the hiring school district and shall not exceed
12 the school district's statutory cost limitations.**

**13 2. Any school district may employ retirees receiving a retirement allowance
14 pursuant to sections 169.600 to 169.715 for a period of up to two years without losing his
15 or her benefits.**

Section B. Because immediate action is necessary to resolve the shortage of teachers in
2 this state, this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health,

3 welfare, peace and safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of
4 the constitution, and this act shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval.